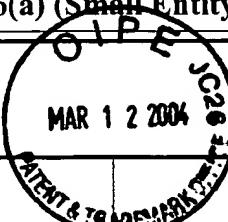


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COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)

Docket No.
96-140-C1

In Re Application Of: JAY S. WALKER et al.



Serial No.
09/613,361

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COLBERT, Ella

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ISSUING AND MANAGING GIFT CERTIFICATES

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of November 10, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: February 10, 2004 until: March 10, 2004
Date *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	8 -	9 =	0	x \$43.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of **\$55.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. **50-0271** in the amount of **\$55.00**

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **50-0271**

Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **50-0271**

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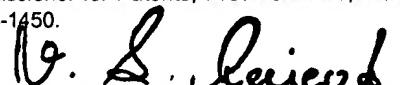
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) Examiner: COLBERT, Ella
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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Dear Sir:

The assignee of the above-identified application claims small entity status. This notification is made pursuant to 37 CFR §1.27.

If the Examiner has any questions about this status change, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (203) 461-7292. While no fees are believed due in connection with this paper, please charge any fees that may be required for this paper, or with any other papers filed in connection with this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0271.

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AMENDMENT and RESPONSE
to the Office Action mailed November 10, 2003 (Paper No. 6)

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Dear Examiner:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 10, 2003 (Paper No. 6),
please consider the following remarks.

This document is filed by Applicants' representative on behalf of the present Applicants
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understood to indicate the present Applicants.